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TO : Chief, Security Research Staff DATE: 19 August 1953

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: Sidetone Delay Equipment.

1. Upon receipt of the above-named equipment, it was set up in the Technical Branch laboratory. Here it was tested in every way conceivable to make this equipment useful or adaptable to our needs.

2. The report by [redacted] was studied and conclusions made me agree that this equipment would not be useful unless concealed as part of some other testing apparatus and even then its value was questioned.

3. The equipment is basically a Magnecord Professional Recorder to which a tape storage and drive mechanism has been added. Also added is a variable tape monitor lag which permits varying the time of lag. This device was determined not too essential (also in [redacted] report) since the Magnecord Recorder has a .2 second delay built in.

4. The equipment was then dismantled and set up in Room 12 for [redacted] of [redacted] for further study by his group. He advised that some time would be required to complete his testing and findings.

5. Finally, it is my opinion that [redacted] report is complete and conclusive that the STD equipment adds nothing to known interrogation equipment or techniques.

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